

**EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Attorney Joel Fogelson on 18 July 2011.

This application is amended as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A device for temporal slaving in a packet data transmission network,

the device receiving data packets,

wherein each incoming data packet comprises a time label, the device comprising:

a local reception clock;

a means of temporary storage for receiving said packets from said network,

said storage having a storage capacity for recording data received for a predetermined time, said storage capacity dependent on characteristics of the network,

a means for regenerating a the local reception clock as a function of the time labels of the incoming packets,

a means for reading the data in the means of temporary storage at an instant dependent on said predetermined time and on the regenerated local reception clock;

wherein the means for regenerating a the local reception clock comprises  
a differentiator for calculating a difference between the time labels and the regenerated  
local reception clock,  
a means for accumulating said differences between the time labels of the incoming data  
packets and the local reception clock during a period of time and  
a decision means for comparing ~~said summing~~ said accumulated differences and the local  
clock and modifying the regenerated local reception clock according to said comparison.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): Method of temporal slaving in a device of a packet data  
transmission network,

the device receiving data packets, each data packet comprising a time label,  
said device comprising a local reception clock,  
~~the~~ said method comprising:  
a step of temporary storage of the packets received from ~~the~~ said network, said storage  
having a storage capacity for recording data received for a predetermined time, said storage  
capacity dependent on characteristics of the network,  
~~the data packets being stored for a predetermined time dependent on the characteristics of~~  
~~the network~~;  
a step of regenerating a local reception clock as a function of the time labels of the  
incoming packets,  
a step of reading the data in the ~~means of~~ temporary storage at an instant dependent on  
~~the~~ said predetermined time and on the regenerated local reception clock,

wherein during the regenerating step:

calculating the difference between the time label and the regenerated local reception clock,

accumulating differences between the time labels of the incoming data packets and the local reception clock during a period of time and

comparing said ~~summing~~ accumulated differences and the local reception clock and modifying the regenerated local reception clock according to said comparison.

### ***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to ASHIL FARAHMAND whose telephone number is (571)270-7079. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday, 7AM-3PM EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Hassan Kizou can be reached on 571-272-3088. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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